

## KNOXVILLE WHIG.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., SATURDAY, MARCH 31, 1860.

**Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad.**  
The Stockholders in this road held their annual meeting in this city, on Monday last, and re-elected their old Board. Those re-elected their former officers—John A. MAHRY President, John L. MOSS Secretary and Treasurer, and C. COOKTUS M. CHIEF Engineer. We feel warranted in saying, that, in the course of two months at most, the Company will have 800 hands actively employed upon the work; and in twelve or eighteen months from this date, we hope to see the cars making regular trips to and from Coal Creek, a distance of thirty miles—supplying our town with a superior article of coal, at twelve or fifteen cents per bushel, and throwing into our midst the abundant products of Anderson and Campbell Counties.

What we want now, is harmony in feeling, and concert of action, among our citizens. Let every man put his shoulder to the wheel, and consider himself engaged in a common cause—the cause of the country, and in promoting the interests of all parties in East Tennessee. Especially should the citizens of Knoxville unit, and work to the same great end. This road will do more for the town than all other schemes now in existence. Next in importance to this, the construction of the Rabun Gap Railroad, and at a very moderate cost, that road can be placed in running order to Maryville, connecting with the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad, giving us a line of 46 miles due North and South, across the country.

The great drawback upon Knoxville, if not the curse of society, and the ruin of all interested here, is that of personal animosities, connected with financial jealousies, the organization of cliques, and the prevalence of sectarian feelings. We are so abominably warped, so supremely selfish, and so abundant in hostility, one towards another—that while we reluctantly agree to try and win the same God, we adopt terms and economies as different as we can invent! To illustrate the condition of the place, and parties and cliques, suffice it to say, that if the towns were on fire, say in Gay Street, and rush were made to the scene of action—upon seeing Broadwater at the head of a party fighting the fire, one portion would retreat their steps, and precipitate let the d-d town burn! Others, in retreating, and meeting with Sneed, should express himself favorable to the fire, would feather in and extinguish the flames, as a means of exposing him! Another class, in these hours of terror and confusion, coming up with Morris and Powell, and finding one for and the other against the fire, would assume a position of "armed neutrality," and swear they are hands off! So it is throughout the town, in reference to every thing that comes up. Come, gentlemen, let us quit this children's play, and set the part of MEN!

There are, at present, more signs of progress, and brighter prospects of substantial improvements ahead, for Knoxville, than we have seen for years. There are better men engaged in improvements, and more reliable mechanics at work, than we have had for years. The swindlers, adventurers, humbugs, and birds of passage, who have been to come to the town, and an injury to its character, have run their race, and left for parts unknown. Our citizens, contractors, laborers, and mechanics, have gone to work in earnest, and their labors promise the very best results.

**Our District Convention.**  
A communication which we copy from the Nashville *Pilot*, favorable to the appointment of Wm. BRADLETON, Jr., as an Electoral candidate for the First Congressional District, leads us to call the attention of our Opposition friends to the same subject in behalf of our own District. The *Standard*—of the day—against the Democrats and Republicans, are each to lead an angry sectional contest for the Presidency. The times demand that the Constitutional Union Party should take a middle ground, and thus sustain the true principles of our Republican form of government.

The Convention for our District will be held at Clinton, ON SATURDAY, MAY FIFTH, and it is hoped that every county in the Knoxville District will be represented. Let us be there to all the juncture of affairs. We have never seen a copy of the *Newspaper*, since we left Nashville, one month ago.

## Martin Washington.

This Female College at Abingdon, is under new headway, and the President, Rev. W. A. Harris, is in charge of the Institution, and of the boarding department. The President is a native of Virginia, a graduate of a Virginia College, and the brother of one of the Virginia members of Congress. Under his administration, and that of the high-toned Board of Trustees, is the moral and religious circle of that portion of the Old Dominion, it is destined, in less than ten years, to become the great Female College of the South and Southwest. New were buildings, and grounds, walks, and other conveniences, including locality, better adapted to the building up of a first class Female College.

The Trustees have secured the services of Rev. DAVID SULLIVAN, late the stationed preacher of Knoxville, as agent to travel through the bounds of the Holston Conference to promote the interests of the Institution. Mr. Sullivan possesses in a more eminent degree, than any one man, the Conference can furnish, the qualifications necessary to make an efficient agent. He is a man of fine address, gifted with speech, a gentleman in his manner, and popular in his turn. Our only fears for him, are those of a want of energy—he is not wanting in ability. If he will go at it, and keep at it, he is above all others for the work. His character being at stake, and the success of this great and promising Institution depending upon the efforts of this eventful year of 1860, it is hoped that the Agent will feel his responsibilities.

## Douglas is the Man.

One gentleman in Missouri, including the money for our Whig, states in a private note, that he is induced to do so from seeing an abusive article in the *St. Joseph Gazette*, leveled at us and our paper! A second writes to send him a specimen number of our Whig—that he is making up a club, "being actuated by an abusive attitude against the Whig, in the Holt County News; a Locofoco Black Republican Missouri paper."

This is the way it works all over the country. Our paper circulates extensively, and is widely known. In such sections as it is not taken, these vindictive little sheets are advertising it to our advantage. Go on at the file, vipers, you are doing us a service, and in the end, you are bound to serve the country!

## National Union Convention.

This Convention meets in Baltimore, on the 9th of May, and we are desirous of sending a delegation of most of our Democratic friends, as regards the nomination of Douglas for the Presidency. Some even of his Squatter Sovereignty; others assert that he is shrewd and not understood; and others say he is the best man the South can run, and the only man they see you with success!

Now the truth is we have never doubted that Douglas would get the Charleston nomination. We now believe that he will have no competition for the nomination, and that he will be the only man whose name will be brought before that body. Should, therefore, the race narrow down to him and the nominee of the Chicago Convention, we will not support either!

## The Remondet Bill.

Has passed the House of Representatives, on Monday, by a vote, twenty-four to one. Seven Democrats, six Anti-Reciprocity Democrats, one Northern, and eight-four Republicans—only one (Craig of Missouri) is from a Slave State. Of the says, all are from the Slave States, except one—*America Americanus*.

Yes, and a more iniquitous bill, never passed in the House, or elsewhere. It is an infamous Abolition measure, and no wonder Republicans vote for it! The Bill provides improperly for single men over twenty-one years of age, widows without children, and all Foreigners who may declare their intention to become citizens of the United States, after the passage of the bill.

This provision is a bid to Foreign convicts, paupers, and scavengers, who are all anti-slavery, to flock to this country by millions—overrun our lands and vote us out of existence!

What Foreign convict and pauper, would not be willing to get rid of feeding and clothing convicts, by even defrauding their expenses to this country?

We have poor citizens of our own, who could occupy these lands, whose parents and grand parents, fought bled, and died in defense of this country, and in order to acquire those lands.

## LOCAL ITEMS.

**THE WEATHER.**—The "State of the weather" has been "all the rage" in these parts for some days past. We have had lots of rain, as it has been all the time dry and cold. In this stern character, the weather has been going about like a "roaring lion, seeking whom it may devour." It is now going through the greatest evolution of its march—it is expected to be hot.

**Stock Association.**—Last week we inserted a communication from C. W. Charlton, on this subject. In our present issue we give another from the pen of G. W. Mayley, and we have still another from P. M. McClung, which will appear in a few days. The subject is one of vast importance, and well worthy the consideration of the forming community. May we not hope the day is not far distant when our own country will engage in the very important and profitable business of raising the flocks of sheep. We are no good reason why the Association should not be formed at once.

**New Goods.**—**East Attractions.**—By consulting our advertising columns, it will be seen several of our merchants have received and are now prepared to accommodate the public with a well selected and decidedly handsome assortment of new and choice Spring Goods.

**Fay & Scherer** have opened their doors and Gay Goods, and their stock will be presented equal if not superior to any they have heretofore presented. This appears to be the "Ladies' Bazaar," containing everything which is necessary and becoming a lady's outfit.

On Monday, the 20th inst., their spring opening of Business will be the place, and as usual, we presume the Ladies will attend their establishment, to get the "newest and best of the season."

**C. T. O'Keefe** has opened a new store, in the room formerly occupied by Homer & Co. This house is newly fitted up, and its stock has been selected with great taste. Call and satisfy yourselves.

**Walter Brothers** are still operating in the house formerly occupied by Walter, O'Keefe & Co. Their stock is fine, and should be seen at once.

**Robert E. Boyd** has a new stock, and one which is decidedly attractive. The Ladies and Gentlemen must not forget to give him a call.

**Roy & Kennedy** have opened a Family Grocery in the building formerly occupied as an office by Dr. Baker, on Gay street, nearly opposite the Post Office. This is a new firm, but well deserving the patronage of our citizens. Give them a call—they have a good article of groceries and are selling at low figures.

**Page, McGehee & Co.** on Gay street, above Cumberland, and J. & F. Van Gilder & Co., at their old stand, have received their spring stock of Boots, Shoes, etc. Now is the time to make your purchases of these indispensable articles. Their stock is very large, and all can be accommodated.

Again we say, consult our advertising columns, if you wish to avail yourself of garments. Those who advertise with us can be relied on, and our columns present important facts for all to read.

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## Emory and Henry Tragedy.

The Examining Court in the case of JOHN B. BROWNLOW, closed on Saturday evening last. It was composed of seven Magistrates. Three were for an acquittal, and four for referring the case to a jury. The defendant was consequently held to stand trial for his trial and place for holding a convention for that purpose. Yours,

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